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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re the application of:	)	CONFIRMATION NO. 8270
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Koji EGASHIRA, et al.	)	
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Application No.: 09/801,106	)	Examiner: PERRIN, Joseph L.
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Filing Date: February 28, 2001	)	Art Unit: 1746

For: LIQUID PROCESSING APPARATUS AND METHOD

**RESPONSE SUBMITTED WITH REQUEST FOR CONTINUED EXAMINATION**

Commissioner for Patents  
P.O. Box 1450  
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Sir:

This is in response to the Office Action mailed December 8, 2006, to which the time for reply was set to expire March 8, 2007. A Petition for a two-month extension of time and the requisite fee are submitted herewith to extend the due date to May 8, 2007. This paper is part of the "submission" with a Request for Continued Examination (RCE) filed concurrently herewith. Claims 9-18, 21, 24, and 25 will remain pending. Claims 9, 10, 12-17, 21, 24, and 25 were rejected. New claims 27-29 are added. Reconsideration and entry of the following amendment(s) are respectfully requested.